

Frequently Asked Questions

PAC HUG Round 2

Q1. What is PAC HUG Round 2?

A. PAC HUG Round 2 is a Gates grant to improve the state of public access computers in Michigan libraries in areas of relatively high poverty and unemployment and in libraries with high numbers of public access computers running operating systems older than XP.

Q1. What constitutes a Public Access Computer (PAC)?

A. See Technical Requirements (accompanying this FAQ and also at

<http://www.michigan.gov/ldds>)

Q2. If I buy PACs through my co-op, how will that work?

A. First, the number of computers you are to be granted will be determined. Then the Library of Michigan will send funds for them directly to the co-op. The co-op will order the computers using a group discount price that they have negotiated and the computers will be shipped to your library. If you do not have local access to installation, contact your co-op.

Q3. What are the minimum specifications if I buy PACs on my own?

A. See Technical Requirements (accompanying this FAQ and also at

<http://www.michigan.gov/ldds>)

Q4. What hardware can we buy besides PACs?

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Q5. What software can we buy with grant funds?

A. If you purchase through the co-op buying plan you will receive Windows XP and Microsoft Office 2007. On your own, you purchase additional software with grant funds including Windows XP or Vista, Microsoft Office 2007 and personal productivity or reference software including educational programs. Additional software may be granted as funding permits.

Q6. Can we buy staff computers?

A. No. The Gates Foundation has provided funds only for PACs

Q7. Will I get everything I ask for?

A. Not necessarily. Grant requests are filled as funding allows. The total amount of the grant is approximately \$877,000. At least 150 libraries will be given the opportunity to apply for a grant.